## Claims

[1] Amorphous carbon particles which are extracted from combustionash of petroleum coke, wherein each of the particles provide a non-circular section, and wherein a weight depreciation rate of the particles after 60 minutes' standing at a maintaining temperature of 500 °C in the presence of air is in the range of less than 30%, and wherein a mean average particle size of the particles is in the range of 50-1  $\mu$ m.

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- [2] Amorphous carbon particles according to Claim 1, wherein specific surface area of the particles measured by BET method is in the range of 20-1 m<sup>2</sup>/g, and wherein pore volume in the particles measured by the nitrogen adsorption method is in the range of 0.020-0.001 ml/g.
- [3] Amorphous carbon particles according to Claim 1 or 2, wherein spacing in the particles measured by X-ray diffraction is not less than 3.43 Å.
  - [4] Composite material which comprises amorphous carbon particles according to one of Claims 1 -3 which are blended in a matrix which comprises an organic material or an inorganic material.
  - [5] Composite material according to Claim 3, wherein the amorphous carbon particles are blended at a rate of 10 70 % by weight of the composite material.
- [6] Carbon carbon composite material which comprises the
  25 amorphous carbon particles according to one of Claims 1 -3
  which are mixed with another carbon material.
  - [7] Carbon carbon composite material according to Claim

- 6, wherein the amorphous carbon particles according to one of Claims 1 -3 are blended at a rate of 10 70 % by weight of the composite material.
- [8] Cement composition which comprises at least an inorganic binder and the amorphous carbon particles according to one of Claims 1 -3.
  - [9] Cement composition according to Claim 6, wherein the amorphous carbon particles are blended at a rate of 10 70 % by weight of the total solid in the cement composition.